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BZA Rejects GWU Wellness Project

On November 2, 1994 the D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) rejected George Washington University's (GWU) proposed Health and Wellness Center at 23rd and G Streets, NW, next to St. Mary's Church. In a 3-2 vote, Board members Hinton and Richards joined Chairman Angel Clarens in opposing the project. The outcome was a big surprise, and the first application rejected under GWU's current Campus Plan which was submitted in the mid-eighties but not formally adopted until last year. The decision was especially welcome to the staff and parishioners of St.

cause pedestrian and vehicular

traffic problems.

"This is a major setback for the University given the size and scope of the project," said Chris Lamb, President of the Foggy Bottom Association, which along with the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A, St. Mary's Church and Columbia Plaza Tenants Association opposed the application. According to Lamb, "the Wellness Center proposal was completely contrary to the Campus Plan which explicitly limits athletic facilities to the Smith Center and requires that any structure next to St. Mary's Church be sensitive to this historic landmark which is a Renwick design." In addition, the University stated in its original testimony on the Campus Plan that Square 42, where the Wellness Center would have been located, was for residential use, not for a facility that would

The BZA held hearings on the project in June and September during which time the University modified its plans twice in response to complaints from the National Capital Planning Commission and Zoning officials. Despite the changes, St. Mary's Church leaders, represented by lawyer Richard Nettler, vigorously argued that the height and bulk of the Wellness Center would block natural light coming into the Church's stained glass windows. They also complained that the use of the facility would negatively impact Church functions. Foggy Bottom community leaders argued that, regardless of the changes, the project was still in violation of the Zoning regulations which restrict GWU's overall development.

At the FBA Meeting December 5

speaker, Art Buchwald. Could you ask for a better holiday treat?

2. Foggy Bottom holiday cards will be available for purchase, along with the ever-popular Foggy Bottom T-shirts, so don't forget to tuck some spending money in a pocket.

3. Also, please tuck into another pocket any

1. Very special guest Safeway or Giant receipts you might have collected for our local schools. Help get useful equipment in exchange for "useless" pieces of paper. And we'll collect again at the January meeting, so save them up.

> 4. The SAE's will escort you home from the meeting. What a great service!



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City Curtails Trash Pickup

Parts of the city went without their regular trash pickup during Thanksgiving week. The Department of Public Works, without prior notification, cancelled collection of trash on their Thursday routes, which were previously picked up the day after a holiday. (FB's regular day is Friday and the trucks picked up as usual.)

According to The Washington Times, DPW plans further cuts, such as weekly instead of semiweekly residential collections; less frequent yard waste collections; and cancellation of bulk

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Art Buchwald at December 5 Meeting

On Monday, December 5, 1994, we are especially honored to have Art Buchwald, our neighbor in Foggy Bottom-West End, address us for our holiday meeting. Mr. Buchwald is a renowned syndicated columnist and author. In 1982, he received a Pulitzer prize for outstanding commentary. He is a wonderfully entertaining speaker. Better come early to get a seat!

Agreement Is Reached Relating to the IMF/Western Presbyterian Church

by FBA Vice President Barbara F. Kahlow

On October 31, 1994, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) agreed to donate \$346,000 to the Foggy Bottom-West End community to fund a program to feed the homeless in a commercial business district near 19th and H Streets, N.W. where Miriam's Kitchen was located for ten years in the historic Western Presbyterian Church, before its recent move into the Foggy Bottom-West End residential neighborhood. This agreement was necessary to obtain approval from the City Council to close a public alley in the square housing the IMF's headquarters building and because of the IMF's displacement of a homeless breakfast feeding program in the downtown commercial area due to its expansion plans. This contribution is the largest amount a community has ever received in D.C. for a street or alley closing.

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FOGGY BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

Holiday Meeting



Featuring

Art Buchwald

Columnist & Author

Monday, December 5, 1994 St. Paul's Parish House 2430 K Street, N.W. 7:30 p.m.

(Next Meeting: Monday, January 30, 1995)

Dorothy Cascioni Dies

Dorothy F. (Dottie) Cascioni, longtime resident of 25th Street, died November 10 at the age of 79. She had been in a nursing home since suffering a stroke in April. She worked for the CIA in several foreign countries prior to retirement in 1971. She also did volunteer work at the White House and the Hirschorn Museum. A memorial service was held at St. Stephen Martyr Church where Dottie had been a parishioner for many years.

Jim Zais Succumbs To Aids

James P. (Jim) Zais, who was active for many years in Ward 2 activities, died November 13. He had been ill for some time with AIDS.

He is remembered in Foggy Bottom for his work as Ward 2 coordinator for Mayor Barry from 1983 to 1990, usually attending all FBA meetings and most other FB community events. A candidate to fill the vacancy as Ward 2 Councilmember when the late John Wilson became Council Chair, he lost in a close race to Councilmember Jack Evans. He later became program development director for the Greater Washington Urban League.

A native of Wisconsin, he graduated from the University of Wisconsin and earned a Ph.D. in political science and public policy at the University of Illinois. He was active in the gay rights movement and was a past president of the D.C. Gay and Lesbian Activists Alliance. Remembrances may be directed to the Greater Washington Urban League Scholars Program, 3501 14th Street, N.W. 20010, or Whitman-Walker Clinic, 1407 S Street, N.W. 2009.



The Becker Beat

Now, all together: "Am I glad the election is over!" If I heard one more word about Robb/North, Don Devine, etc., etc., I thought I would scream. (And I left town three days before the election so I even missed several days' worth.) I voted before I left, I hasten to

I ran across a long article from the New York Times' travel section about D.C. and the words Hotel Lombardy popped out from line 6. The writer was investigating "attractive hotel deals" he's seen, and he also mentioned the Inn at Foggy Bottom, which he liked for its quiet and big suites...." (You probably know that GWU has now purchased that hotel.) The Lombardy earned praise for being the least expensive encountered on the trip, "with a welcoming green awning on I Street, tiny lobby, washer and dryer in the basement, and big, well-furnished rooms, most of which have kitchenettes." It was fun reading about our neighbors!

The Hatchet had a nice long article about Jane Lingo, the lady liaison between GWU and FB/WE. I no longer wonder how she knows just whom to call; she has been around GWU since the mid-1940's, graduating Phi Beta Kappa in 1946. I also think I have the secret to her longterm success — she seems one of the most eventempered individuals I've ever known.

Memo to Steve Trachtenberg: Looking forward to seeing

HOLIDAY JOY

you at our meeting in January. Want to pass on to you an idea from Georgetown University you might adopt. It seems they send trash collection trucks into nearby residential areas when it's student-move-out time, to collect bulk trash left behind by students. What a great idea, to alleviate the gross piles left on our streets, far too much to be taken care of by regular trash pickup, and so unsightly if left to the monthly bulk trash collections (which may be cancelled!) removal. What say you to this idea, Steve?

Kudos to the local Lambda Chi's, who again this year conducted a drive for canned goods for the less fortunate. The guys tramped the streets to leave collection bags at each door, and returned to pick them up later. (On my street that entailed climbing a ton of steps!) They were also spied outside the L Street Safeway (and most likely Watergate's as well). Well done!

And I cannot let this item end without a big word of thanks to two long-time FBNews' deliverers. Catherine Stokes of Eye Street, part of the original delivery team, decided to "retire" from her paper route after close to 20 years on the job. Judy Smalley of the President is "running out" on her job, moving to Jacksboro, Tennessee, and "declining" to return each month to do her route. Judy, too, has been on the job for a bunch of years. They are the kind that makes FB a good place to live.

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Mayor

FB/WE Squarely for Schwarz

The final results from the November 8 election show Foggy Bottom/West End squarely in Carol Schwarz' camp, not really a surprise. The neighborhood did join with the rest of the city in voting for an additional Council term for Linda Cropp, but gave Councilmember Hilda Mason, the other Council winner, the least number of its votes.

The results also showed that 50% of registered voters came to the polls, with Precinct 2 sending 32%, Precinct 3 57% and Precinct 451%. Precinct 2 is the GWU area, Precinct 3 west of 23rd Street and south of K, and Precinct 4 the area of the new West End. The three precincts, 2, 3, and 4 gave affirmative votes for term limits of 64.3%, 68.2% and 69.9% respectively.

Winners in contested ANC elections were Maria Tyler in Single member District 2A03; Dale Barnhard in 2A04; and Dorothy Miller in 2A05. Also elected were Jean Swift in 2A01, Mike Geroe in 2A02, and Sara Maddux in 2A06.

Below are the figures for the various races. Winners are with an asterisk(*).

*Barry	159/7%
Schwarz	2106/91%
Other	54/2%
At-large Counc	il (2 seats)
*Cropp	1154/50%
*Mason	227/10%
Hall	534/23%
Singleton	823/36%
Moore	268/12%
Ward 2 School	Board
Fanning	188/8%
Hodgkins	119/5%
Brewer	80/3%
Fleming	176/8%
Gibson	266/11%
*Wilcox	1088/47%
Booker	11/0%
Reeves	107/5%
Write-In	6/0%
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2A01	
Swift	125/81%
Write-In	29/19%
2A02	
Geroe	350/95%
Write-In	20/5%
2A03	
Tyler	342/71%
Grindstaff	139/29%
Write-In	1/0%
2A04	
Barnhard	282/50%
Stowell	274/49%
Write-In	2/1%

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2A05	
Itkin	106/41%
Miller	149/58%
Write-In	2/1%
2A06	
Maddux	65/90%
Write-in	7/10%

Olender Brings Miss America to Foggy Bottom

Miss America, Heather Whitestone, will receive the 1994 Olender Foundation "America's Role Model of 1995" award from longtime Watergate resident Jack Olender at the Kennedy Center December 8. Foundation president Olender, malpractice and personal injury trial lawyer, and his wife Lovell, a foundation trustee, named Miss America for the award which will be presented at the annual ceremony. To be presented also is the 1994 Peacemaker Award to consumer advocate Ralph Nader as well as Olender scholarships and donations to Howard University, Gallaudet University and the United Black Fund.

Foggy Bottom News Trash (continued from p 1) waste collections, meaning residents will have to dispose of large items on their own. (This is a potentially serious problem for this area, especially when students and others move out and leave large items behind.)

The citizens quoted in the article seemed resigned to the cuts, but distressed at the lack of notification.

"The Legacy of Wildness," **Exhibit Opens**

Artist and author Robert Glenn Ketchum is showing a jor 25-year retrospective, "The Legacy of Wildness," at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W. through December 15. The show is open to the public free of charge, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The twenty-eight color and black and white photographs are drawn from several Ketchum portfolios and books: Overlooked in America: The Success and Failure of Federal Land Management: The Hudson River and the Highlands: Winters: 1970-1980; and The Tongass: Alaska's Vanishing Rain Forest. Many photographs in the exhibition also appear in The Legacy of Wildness: The Photographs of Robert Glenn Ketchum, published in 1993 by Aperture.

Ketchum has used the subjects of his books as metaphors for national and international environmental issues. His activities won him an Outstanding Environmental Achievement Award from the United Nations, which also named him to the Global 500 Roll of Honor, one of only four photographers in the world so acknowledged. In addition, the Sierra Club has awarded him its Ansel Adams Photography.



Agreement (continued from page 1)

CUMC To Provide Services

The Cooperative Urban Ministry Center, Inc. (CUMC), an organization which has served homeless and indigent persons in D.C. since 1976, will operate a "full-service" homeless feeding program for those previously served at 19th and H Streets. Starting in early January 1995, the homeless will receive a full, hot breakfast every Monday through Friday at Pennsylvania Avenue near 19th Street from a large mobile van (a "super van"). In addition to meals, CUMC will provide social services, including counseling by a social worker who will make appropriate medical and denselection of work from his ma- , tal referrals, and provide information about public and in-kind assistance, job training and employment opportunities. Also, the homeless will receive auxiliary services, such as free blankets, clothes, and personal toiletries whenever such items are available from donations. CUMC operates a drop-in center at 9th and P Streets, N.W., the only facility in downtown Washington that provides in one location a full range of services, such as shower and laundry facilities and a message center.

Agreement Reached By Mediation

The settlement agreement, including a Memorandum of Understanding signed by CUMC's Executive Director Patricia Makin and ANC-2A Vice Chair Sara Maddux, was reached through a mediation process in the D.C. Superior Court. The negotiators were myself, Ms. Maddux, and Irene Parsons, the community representative on the ANC-2A Task Force. They were joined by Ward 2 City Council Member Jack Evans' staff attorney Steve Taylor. The community was ably served by counsel experienced in mediation. D.C. Representative Eleanor Holmes Norton arranged for the pro bono legal representation by John Bickerman of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler.

The community owes deep thanks to Mrs. Norton, Mr. Evans At-Large City Council Member John Ray and other Members of the City Council for their significant efforts on our behalf and their sensitivity to our safety concerns, especially for our elderly.

After the "full-service" program is operational in the commercial area in Foggy Bottom-West End, it is expected that the Western Presbyterian Church, under the leadership of Reverend John Wimberly, will keep its previous written promise not to operate Miriam's Kitchen in our residential neighborhood. The D.C. Government is still pursuing an appeal to overrule Judge Stanley Sporkin's order which permitted the feeding program to operate in a residential neighborhood in violation of the D.C. zoning regulations unless the program became a "nuisance." Also, if necessary, in response to Judge Stanley Sporkin's invitation, the community can present at any time the considerable crime evidence - which exceeds the 'nuisance' test - that has been compiled since Award for Conservation Miriam's Kitchen opened in our residential neighborhood.



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> The Rev. Darwin L. Price, Rector Parish Office: 333-3985

Christmas Services Schedule

Saturday, December 24th (Christmas Eve) 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist and Christmas Carols 10:30 P.M. Festive Eucharist with Full Choir

Sunday, December 25th (Christmas Day)

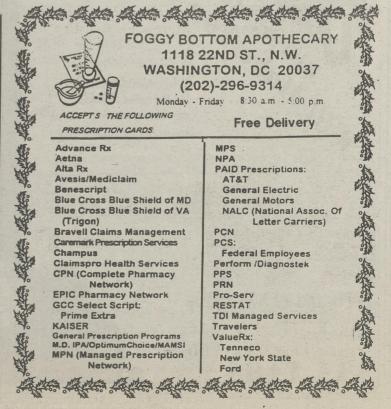
8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

11:00 A.M. Traditional Service of Lessons and Carols (Reserve Sacrament available immediately following the service)

..... Noonday Prayer

ST. MARY'S SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday:	Tuesday:
8:00 a.m	8:00 a.mMorning Prayer (at St. Mary's Court)
9:45-10:45 a.mAdult Discussion/Bible Study	Wednesday:
 9:45-10:45 a.mJr. & Sr. High Confirmation Class	12:10 p.m Holy Eucharist & Prayers of Healing
11:00 a.m	1:00-2:00 p.m
11:00-11:45 a.mNursery Care & Sunday School	Friday:
	12:10 p.m



Safety Pays Personal

Safety

Tips

A. Walking

1. After getting off a bus, or leaving a subway station at night, look around to see whether you are being followed. If someone suspicious is behind you, or ahead of you, cross the street. If necessary, criss-cross from one side to another, back and forth. If you feel you are being followed, don't be afraid to drive into your driveway, or park RUN. One of the criminal's greatest assets is his ability to curb at a spot where there are peosurprise you, to attack when you ple, and let the car pass you. If least expect it, by suddenly leaping out and not giving you a chance to fight back. Should he continue to trail you, be prepared to defend youself by SCREAMING AND RUN-NING to a lighted residence or business, or possibly to flag down a passing car.

2. If a car approaches and you are threatened, scream and run in the direction opposite that of the car (the driver will have to turn around to pursue you).

3. Walk near the curb and avoid passing close to shrubbery, dark doorways and other places of concealment. Shun shortcuts, especially through backyards,

5. When arriving home by taxi, or private auto, request the driver to wait until you are inside.

B. Driving

1. When practicable, travel on well lighted, more populated streets and thoroughfares. Keep windows and doors locked.

2. Keep your car in gear while halted at traffic lights and stop signs. If your safety is threatened, hold down on the horn and drive away as soon as possible. 3. Check your rear view mirror. If you believe you are being followed by another car, do not in a deserted area. Pull over to the the car continues to follow you, drive to the nearest place where you can get help, (gas station, police station, fire house, etc.) 4. If you should be followed into your driveway at night stay in your car with the doors locked until you can identify the occupants or know the driver's intent. Sound horn to get the attention of neighbors or scare the other driver off.

5. When parking at night select a place that will be lighted when you return. Check for loiterers before leaving the car.

6. Never leave car keys in the ignition, even if you are only parked for a short time. Take them with you, and make sure

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By Betty Olsen

And still another meet-andgreet your neighbors at Casey's was enjoyed. No matter who your candidate was during the campaign wasn't it fun to get together? Let's do it again and again even when there isn't an election year. After all . . . all of us are neighbors.

Washington Hilton. But with his rushing around and around he still had time to write a twovolume political and social history, "First Ladies: The Saga of the Presidents' Wives and Their Power, 1789-1991." The volumes are the first comprehensive look at the subject



Photo by Betty Olsen

Margaret Pulley (1.) and Cynthia Yu are pictured with Rosalyn Carter at the reception for her at the Mayflower Hotel recently. Also present from St. Mary's Court for the occasion were Bea Watson and Barbara Brunton.

Carl Anthony was the emcee at the series of "The President's Spouse' which examined the role of the First Lady in American History and politics, sponsored by GWU.

Anthony is a busssssy fellow. also saw him at the Carol Schwarz victory party at the and the only book on which the First Ladies from Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis to Barbara Bush have cooperated. Anthony is the instructor for the course and is a GWU graduate.

Francine Henderson, Head of The Special Collections Department of the Gelman Library, welcomed guests at a reception of the Royal Danish Embassy of the life of Karen Blixen/Isak Dinesen Travelling Exhibition. A panorama of photographs told of her life. She was the one whose life was depicted in "Out of Africa" starring Meryl Streep.

Mrs. Foggy Bottom, Joan Cushing, was on hand at the last Foggy Bottom Association meeting to hear all the candidates who visited that night. For one who performs she certainly appreciated all the candidates and showed it with her enthusiasm. She stayed the whole time. Cushing does regular satirical shows at the Omni Shoreham Hotel and was a special guest with her troupe at a FBA meeting last year. She also reported that former Mayor Walter Washington came to her show, promised to vote for her and called it "the best show in town," urging all not to miss it.

Joyce Yaes will exhibit a one-person show of her work at the Washington Arts Club in

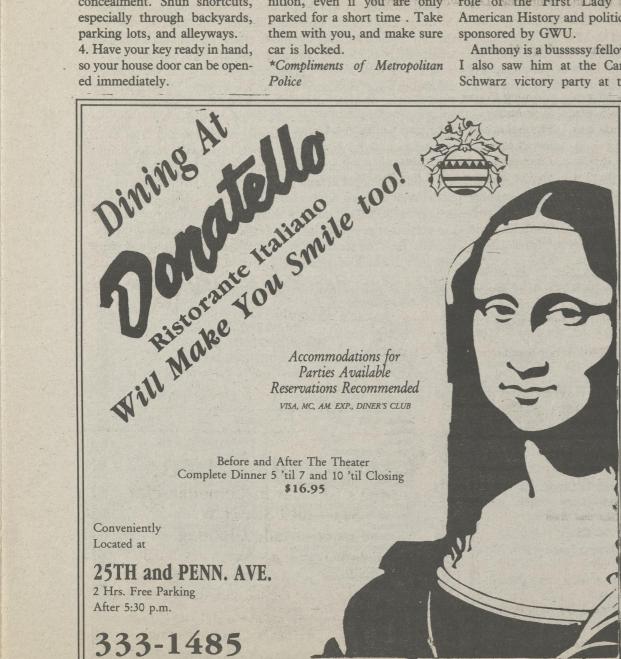
Saw John Neil recently meeting guests at the Hotel Bristol. Neil used to be with

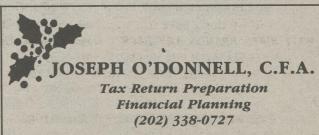
Jack Evans' 41st birthday was celebrated at the 4th annual constituent service fundraiser at the Hotel Washington. A r-o-o-mf-u-l of Halloween party-goers attended the event.

"Cup'a Cup'a" is now open at the corner of 19th and G Streets, N.W. First one open was on K Street; now there is a second at this new location. Both are overseen by Mark Reshefsky, founder of the popular coffee places, and they serve only the best expresso, cappuccino, latte, mocha and hot chocolate and white chocolate along with Italian sodas and fountain and bottled drinks which are served for the asking. In the morning there are scones, bagels, croissants, brioches, sticky buns, Danishes, coffee cakes and more, at lunch gourmet sandwiches, exceptional soups, vegetable pie, lasagna with soup and sandwich specials as well. Then all day every day cookies, cappuccino bars, lemon squares, brownies, fantasy bars, apple crumb bars, raspberry oat bars, cakes, tea breads and still again much more. Always the BEST is served. They also cater. See ad elsewhere in the News. Stop on your way to work or after the theatre or other outings or just meet a friend to enjoy the various selections inside or out (weather permitting).

Had a welcome call from Mr. Lee at Watergate Wine & Beverage asking that we bring him more copies of the FBNews. He says they go fast and he could use more. Glad to oblige, Mr. Lee! His neighbor at Chen's asked for more too! By the way, with the holidays coming up, WW&B has not only lots of liquids to give, but other nice items as well. Check them out!







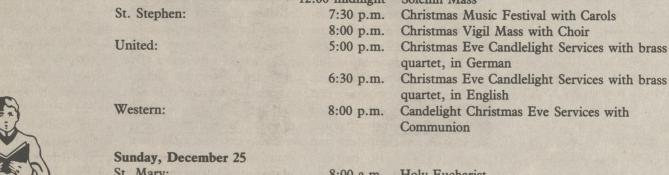
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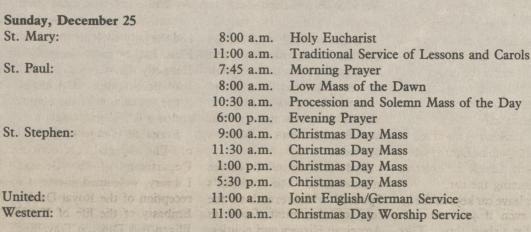
Foggy Bottom Churches Schedule Christmas Services

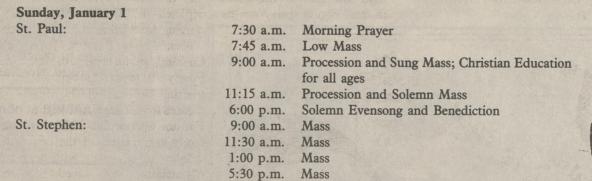
The holy season of Christmas is being celebrated by a wonderful variety of services in the churches located in Foggy Bottom. Their schedules are printed here for your convenience; the full church names and addresses are at the end of the list.



Wednesday, December 21:		
St. Stephen:	7:00 p.m.	Advent Communal Penance Service
Saturday, December 24		
St. Mary:	6:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist and Christmas Carols
	10:30 p.m.	Festive Eucharist with Full Choir
St. Paul:	6:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer & Low Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Low Mass
	5:00 p.m.	Lesson & Carols (especially for families)
	11:30 p.m.	Solemn Procession
	12:00 midnight	
St Stephen:	7:30 p.m	Christmas Music Fastival with Carola







5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

St. Mary: St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 728 23rd Street, N.W. 333-3985

St. Paul: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2430 K Street, N.W. 337-2020

St. Stephen: St. Stephen Martyr Church, 2436 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. 785-0982

United: The United Church (United Methodist and United Church of Christ Congregation), 1920 G Street, N.W. 331-1495

Western: Western Presbyterian Church, 2401 Virginia Avenue, N.W. 835-8383









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The Way We Were in 1944

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We were before Batman, Rudolph the Rednosed Reindeer and Snoopy. Before DDT and vitamin pills, vodka (in the United States), before the white wine craze, disposable diapers, jeeps and the Jefferson nickel. Before scotch tape, M&M's, the automatic gear shift and Lincoln Continentals.

When we were in college, pizzas, Cherrios, frozen orange juice, instant coffee and McDonalds were unheard of. We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent.

We were before FM radios, tape recorders, electric typewriters, word processors, Muzak, electronic music and disco dancing. We were before panty hose and drip-dry clothes. Before ice makers and dishwashers, clothes dryers, freezers and electric blankets. Before men wore long hair and earrings and women wore tuxedos. We got married first and then lived together. How quaint can you be?

In our day cigarette smoking was fashionable, grass was mowed, coke was something you drank and pot was something you cooked in.

We were before coin-vending machines, jet planes, helicopters and interstate highways. In 1944 "made in Japan" meant junk and the term "making out" referred to how you did on an exam.

In our time there were five-and-ten cent stores where you could buy things for five and ten cents. For just a nickel you could ride the streetcar, make a phone call, buy a Coke or enough stamps to mail one letter and three post cards. You could buy a new Chevy coupe for \$600, but who could afford that in 1944? Nobody! A pity, too, because gas was eleven cents a gallon.

We were not before the difference between the sexes was discovered, but were before sex changes. We just made do with what we had.

And so it was in 1944. This is "the way we were" - 50 years ago, and we loved it.

Foggy Bottom News

Conman Conrad And Gullible Gus: A Cautionary Tale

Once upon a time, a brash young man we'll call Conrad strode into the quaint hamlet of Foggy Bottom. He was following up on a phone call to Gus, an elderly resident who had recently sold the family farm in Virginia. Conrad presented an impressive business card, which identified him as the "Managing Executive" of a financial planning firm located in a wealthy Metro area suburb.

Gus needed help in investing the cash he had recently received, and he wanted more income from the trust left to him by his mother. As innocent in investments as the proverbial babe in the woods, our hero just assumed that a stockbroker and "Managing Executive" would fulfill his fiduciary duty and recommend only suitable securities for his clients. Gullible Gus knew nothing about the risks inherent in the limited partnerships Conrad sold him. He was also unaware of the fact that these investments produced the maximum commissions possible for the broker — 8% plus a variety of fees to the underwriter and affiliated

About a year after entrusting some 80% of his capital to Conrad, Gus began to realize that his investments were not performing as promised. He read an ad in the Foggy Bottom News by a local investment adviser (your narrator), and decided to get his opinion of the securities recommended by Conrad. We'll spare our readers the gory details. Suffice it to say that all of investments in his portfolios were unsuitable for a man in his seventies, and most were highly speculative. Gus's losses were already in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. To top it off, he had paid more than \$80,000 in commissions for the privilege of seeing much of the family fortune disappear.

His new investment adviser prepared an arbitration claim and filed it with the National Association of Securities Dealers. Our hero collected a settlement of over \$200,000.

While the con game perpetrated by Conrad was especially blatant, many other brokers regularly sell unsuitable securities to unsuspecting suckers. Most brokers are honest, however, and in a future column we'll offer some pointers on how to separate the wheat from the

Joseph O'Donnell, C.F.A.

Good Citizenship Tips

1. Leaves. Those who live in our townhouses need to clear their sidewalks of leaves to prevent others slipping on them. And they need to rake up leaves which are in the street to keep them from impeding the flow of water to catch basins. If you don't have a rake, ask neighbors - they'll be glad to lend one. And if your neighbor is less physically able than you, lend a hand as well. It's just being neighborly.

2. Snow. I hate to say the word, but it is coming, and it is not only the law but common sense to make your sidewalk passable in snowy or icy weather. Again, neighbors have shovels if you don't and another smart item to stock up on is sand. (Buy a small bag and pour into milk cartons or jugs and spread it on icy walks and steps.) Remember, Postal carriers are not required to deliver mail if steps or walks are dangerous, so think of your own safety as well as that of others who pass by.

Ellie Becker

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D.C. Library Threatened Again

By Robert C. Brewster

Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly's proposed massive slash of 10 percent in this year's library budget would force the closing of six branch libraries from April 1 through September 30, 1995. The cut is more than two times the Library's share of the city-wide cut if the reductions were allotted on a proportional basis to all city agencies.

The Library's Board of Trustees says that this huge \$2 million reduction would also force it to reduce service hours in 17 branch libraries from 55 to 40 hours, remaining open one night a week. It would be necessary to furlough each employee for eight days, beginning April 1; to fire 34 employees; and to make deep reductions in other expenditures.

This second swing of the Mayor's meat axe comes on the heels of her proposal last January to cut \$1,750,000 from the 1994 and 1995 Library budget. At that time Ward 2 Councilmember Jack Evans wrote the Mayor opposing the cut, saying: "Now, more than ever, with many of our institutions in a weakened state and struggling to provide much needed leadership in our communities, our public libraries serve a particularly critical role as an educational resource for our youth, our young adults, and the general population at-large."

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Mayor Kelly subsequently rescinded the cut, telling the West End Library Friends in a March 4, 1994 letter that "Libraries are a significant educational and cultural force in our community. I want to assure you that I have not cut library funding in this year's budget Libraries fill such a vital role for our young people that I could not, in good conscience, agree to any budget that would shorten library hours or close library branches...."

Councilmember Hilda Mason chaired a public hearing of the Committee on Education and Libraries on November 14. Among those testifying were Joyce Clements-Smith, President of the Board of Library Trustees; Dr. Hardy R. Franklin, Director of the D.C. Public Library; Lillian Wesley, President of the Federation of Friends of the D.C. Public Library; a representative of the National Federation of the Blind; and officers of 12 city Friends organizations. Although Dr. Franklin acknowledged that, given the city's financial situation, the Library must absorb additional cuts, he and all witnesses agreed that the Mayor's proposal would be catastrophic. Committee members Mason and Harry Thomas made clear their strong opposition to the 10 percent cut.

GWU Buys Local Hotel

The George Washington University in June 1994 purchased yet another building in Foggy Bottom, acquiring the Inn at Foggy Bottom on New Hampshire Avenue. Purchased primarily for investment purposes the Inn, according to the University's October 21 statement, will continue to be used as a hotel with the current management company in charge.

GWU President Trachtenberg stated that the hotel is expected to be used to house visiting distinguished faculty and other guests, and will not be converted into a residence hall. (The hotel is located in the Foggy Bottom Overlay District approved recently by the Zoning Commission. Dormitory use of buildings within the overlay district was expressly banned by the Zoning Commission.)



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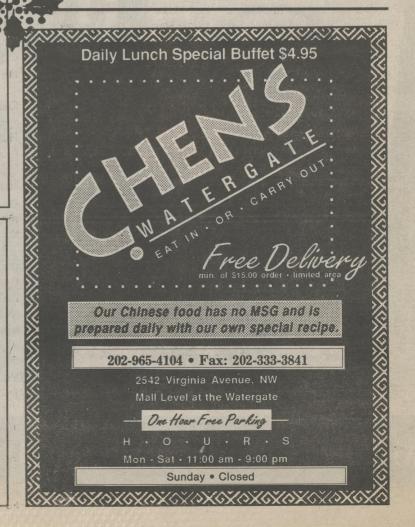
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Sidewalk Talk

By Betty Olsen

Steve Timlin and his mother are heading west to Santa Rosa, California and leaving the Foggy Bottom "White House" for condo style living there. Steve says, "When the summers were too hot for me here, I was paying two times for everything for separate quarters for my mother and myself; and after the mugging on the mall where I wasn't hurt but offended, I decided it was time for me to move." Timlin purchased a white Lincoln while out thataway lining things up to move and plans to use it a lot in la la land. Best wishes, you two. Keep in touch.

Ryan has arrived from Wisconsin to be the new Newfoundlander on the block with his mistress Jo Ann Hatem. He's 90 + pounds of puppy now that is what I call a puppy.

Met neighbor Paul McKee who has lived in Foggy Bottom for years, first in Jefferson House, then Hughes Mews and now a townhouse on Eye Street. Don't know how our paths haven't crossed before now but - glad they finally did. I'll see you on the sidewalk again hopefully before the millenium.

Hugh Grindstaff met Harry Hamlin at the Hotel Bristol recently; even had a snapshot made of the two of them. And . . . I won a poster contest at the Gross National Parade recently. The prize \$50. A celebration followed, you can be sure.

Milton Carrow and Barbara Barski entertained Betty Friedan in their townhouse on 25th recently. Friedan who has just published "The Fountain of Age" is now a Wilson scholar in D.C. She and Carrow have been friends for 30 plus years

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and she said at the party. "I am surprised how many of my friends of years and years now live in the area."

Bob Charles' daughter, Lisa, was pictured in the Post article on the first women's cup team not too long ago. The America First Cup team finished second to Australia's entry. These were preliminary races held in San Diego for a week leading up to the five-month Cup season which opens in San Diego January 12. Lisa Charles was pictured holding onto the mast of Kanza, one of the two America's Cup yachts being sailed by the first all-women

Congratulations to all the newly elected and re-elected ANC commissioners. We expect good things from you for the next two-year term.

Various meet-and-greet your neighbors were held at the Hotel Bristol, Robin Young's home and Casey's before election time. Some of the ones seen at the different ones were Mary Brewster, Grace Watson, Milton Carrow, Barbara Barski, Matt Hall, Polly Berman,

The ANC candidates expressed views at a forum at St. Mary's Court before election also. Some of those attending were Don Tobey, Lucille and Jimmy Molinelli, Jane Lingo, Marilyn Rubin, Ed Kelly, Anne and Bob Charles, Elaine Bors, Harold Sarbacher along with the candidates.

Foggy Bottom neighbors seen at the President's Night with Peter Schickele and David Dusing performing an evening of songs at Lisner Auditorium were Winifred and David Fothergill-Quinlan, Mary Healy, Mary Cleary, Marie Kirby, Handy Handyside, John Bobbit, Ramona Lauda, Jo Tucci, Polly Wright, Ruth Gaffney, Jennie Lazowski and Charlie Clapp.

Richard Price, new president of the Board of Directors of St. Mary's Court, is spending extra time to continue to improve food services at the Court. New food service director is Robin Dease.

New residents welcomed recently at The Court are Charles Rackley and David Herman.

President Bill Clinton aka Chris Lamb in a mask made an appearance at The Court's Halloween party. Clinton, errr, I mean Lamb masquerading as Clinton said, "I read the Foggy Bottom News monthly, especially your columns." Aww, schucks, I bet you tell that to all

Lowell Arwood played for the party, even came up with the Blue Danube for a man who requested it. Talk about a repertoire; I hadn't heard that one since grade school recitals. Some of the merrymakers were Wilhemina Blackely, Linda Pully, Peggy Brody, Louise Jackson, and Felix Role.

Joe Brockenberry was the emcee for the evening and led everyone right into the "Slide" for exercise and entertainment.

The Claridge House cleared the median on K Street adjacent to its co-op recently. Now -

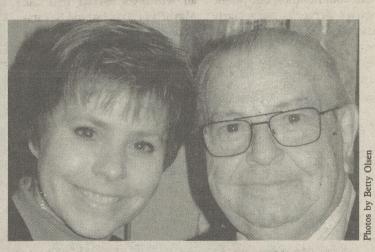


Barclay - Bader - how about your side?

Mary Healy returned from Hawaii recently, Ellie Becker, editor of the Foggy Bottom News, spent a week in New York State with an Elderhostel group, and Dan Kibler of Casey's did serious sun-time in St. John's.

Come to enjoy Art Buchwald

Jack Batham has organized an escort service through the fraternities of George Washington University for those ladies who like to attend an FBA or and ANC meeting but wonder how to get home. Just let it be known that you would like to be escorted and your wish is granted.



Jimmy Molinelli and fan Kirsten Olsen.

this Monday at the December Foggy Bottom Association meeting at St. Paul's Church at 7:30 p.m.

Susan and Charles (Puff) Puffenbarger were off to Scottsdale, Arizona to attend Puff's son's wedding. He has a daughter yet to marry who lives in Olympia, Washington. That will be a fun trip too.

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Happy Birthday, the 93rd, to Jimmy Molinelli. Neighbors celebrated his special day with dinner at one of their homes. The menu was meat and potatoes - he's that kind of guy. Heard they also had peas, another favorite. The Hatchet, the student newspaper at GWU, had a story on his big day recently. Nice to be loved, huh, Jimmy?





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And other issues need attention. Do the planes from National disturb you? Perhaps you would like to follow FAA's proposals for more landing slots each hour. How about zoning matters, historic preservation,

tion, safety, etc. etc.? If you would like to lend a hand, call Chris lamb at 333-7248.

FB Non-Profit Announces Global Woman Newsletter

The Forum for Intercultural Communication (F/IC), a nonprofit organization based in Columbia Plaza, announces a new newsletter, Global Woman. It is a forum for information exchange among women entrepreneurs worldwide and will also offer Foggy Bottom entrepreneurs access to information not available elsewhere. They are seeking underwriters and subscribers to cover the costs of research, reporting, production, and distribution to approximately 3,000 women in over 190 countries.

Global Woman is based on extensive research on businesswomen's needs, in both urban and rural areas in many countries. It offers global access to previously untapped information resources, business opportunities, training, and mentoring programs for women entrepreneurs in the United States and worldwide.

Each issue of Global Woman focuses on one business problem as it is approached in the United States, in one other industrialized market, and in one emerging economy. Each gives practical steps in getting credit, creating markets, distributing products, creating joint ventures, and other important issues. The first edition available in July will compare networks in the United States, Sweden and Mexico. In addition, data bases and comprehensive resource guides are available for all the countries we discussed for those who need more in-depth information and

Global Woman is a quarterly publication and a full-year subscription is only \$25. Contributions to its efforts are tax deductible and will be used to get information to women particularly the new generation of entrepreneurs — who otherwise would have no access. To subscribe, make a contribution, or receive more information please call or write:

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Gelman Library **Invites FBA Members**

Andrea W. Stewart Executive Associate The Gelman Library

The Gelman Library at GWU offers a variety of opportunities for residents to take advantage of the library's collections, services and facilities, an advantage of living close to a major university.

In an effort to develop and strengthen a relationship with the community, the Friends of the University Libraries of The George Washington University elected two residents of Foggy Bottom as new members of its 1994-96 Board of Directors, i.e., Roland Perusse (Columbia Plaza), who is Director of the Inter-American Institute, and Laetitia Combrinck (The York Apartments), a community activist.

At its September meeting, the Board reviewed ideas regarding researching and developing an exhibit (possibly in 1996) on the history of the Foggy Bottom community, which might appropriately complement GWU's 175th anniversary.

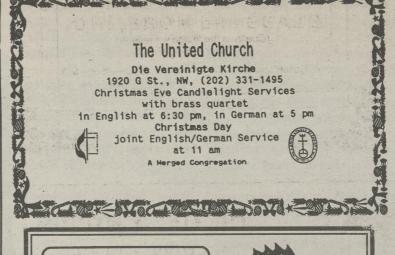
Residents who are members of the Foggy Bottom Association, with any valid identification card, may avail themselves to the special borrowing privileges at the Gelman during the summer months (May through August) for a fee of \$5.00. During the academic year, non-students may have borrowing privileges either by joining the Friends of the University Libraries at the supporter level for a \$100-fiscal year membership, or use the Gelman Library Information Service (GLIS) to borrow books for a per-transaction charge. However, Foggy Bottom residents are always welcome to use materials on site, to attend exhibit openings and to view exhibits. For entry, only valid identification is required.

The next exhibit is being held from December 5 to Jan. 13, 1995, in the Collections Department (second floor); it is titled "Dicken's Christmas" (Fugate Collection).

For more information on Friends activities and borrowing privileges, please call Ocieola Newby at 202-994-6455. For information on using GLIS, call 202-994-6973. Brochures on the Gelman Library's collections and services are available at the entrance, or consult "Self-Inform," an interactive system also located there. The library staff invites you to visit and explore what GW's main library can offer you.

G Street Fire Station May Be Cut

Recent press stories about cuts being contemplated for the Fire Department have mentioned Engine 23 on G Street. The station, has been threatened each time cuts are discussed, but has been spared. The firefighters at 23 consider themselves part of the neighborhood, even sporting a special Foggy Bottom license plate on their engine.







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The Consumer Mediation Clinic does not offer legal advice or representation but operates to help consumers and businesses reach their own negotiated settlements of disputes without court action.

A mediation case is brought to the Clinic's attention by a local consumer involved in a dispute with a business. The first step is to send a letter to the business describing the service and setting forth the consumer's description of the nature of the dispute. The student mediator then begins a dialogue with each of the parties toward the goal of helping them reach a mutually agreeable resolution. The Clinic is generally open from 9-5, Monday through Friday, but is closed during December, May, and August. To obtain more information or to request assistance, call 202-994-7260.

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by Barbara F. Kahlow

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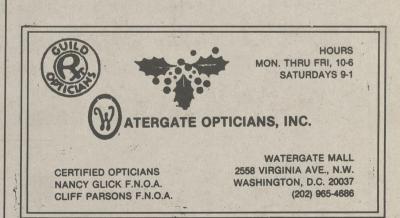
City Council's Committee on Government Operations' 10/27 roundtable on the office of Campaign Finance

11/9 City Council's Committee on Consumer and Regulatory Affairs on confirmation of 4 nominees to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board: Mary Eva Candon, James Jefferson, Barbara Lee Smith, Dennis Bass, and Sabrina Sojourner

Other Notices

Zoning Commission's Order authorizing a public hear-10/14 ing on an Office of Planning proposal to amend the zon-

ing regulations for planned unit developments (PUDs) Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs' receipt 10/28 of raze permit applications for 2306 H Street, 2308 H Street & 2310 H Street







Holiday Crafts Galore At St. Paul's

On Saturday, December 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., St. Paul's will hold its annual holiday crafts fair. Featured will be handmade jewelry, pottery, hand-blown glass, fabric baskets and basketweaving, Tupperware, wreaths, flowers and other seasonal decorations, seasonal linens, and Santa's Workshop for Kids. For the "inner" self, lunch will be served and baked goods will be for sale. Come early — it's a great sale with terrific items, but they go fast!

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ANA Hosts Holiday Events

The ANA Hotel is ushering in the holiday season with carollers from several local choirs performing in the lobby December 5 - 9, from 5 -7 p.m. Beginning with Monday, December 5, a different group will appear each day. Groups scheduled to appear include: The Singing Capital Chorus, a barbershop quartet; Jubilati Deo, the youth choir from St. Patrick's Episcopal Church; Cantoris, the adult choir from St. Patrick's Episcopal Church; Handbells and Voices, from FB's Church of St. Stephen Martyr; and the Suitland High School for the Performing Arts. To accompany these performances, the lobby lounge will feature egg nog, spiced cider, special coffee drinks and decadent holiday pastries.

A special Christmas tree, decorated by the students of Stevens Elementary School on 21st Street, will be on display in The Bistro throughout the month of December.

The hotel, at 24th & M Streets, is also offering special holiday meals and room packages.

See "Messiah with Dance December 9

9, at 8:00 p.m., The Asaph eight ballet dancers, as well as or-Ensemble will present the chestra, chorus, and vocal soloists. "Christmas" portion of Conrad Sturm. The perfor-Constitution Hall, 18th and D will be presented in a unique

On Friday night, December liturgical interpretation, using

Soloists for Handel's MES-HANDEL's MESSIAH, with SIAH include Metropolitan Opfull choreography by Robin era star Myra Merritt, soprano, Catherine Huntress-Reeve, alto, mance will take place at the Gene Tucker, tenor, and Alex Helsabek, bass. The conductor Streets N.W. The MESSIAH is Patrick Kavanaugh. The first

other works for dancers and orchestra: Reed's Russian Christmas Music, Faure's Cantique de Jean Racine, and Vaughan Williams' O Clap Your Hands - choreography by Robert and Robin Sturm.

Admission is free, but tickets are required. For additional information or tickets, call 703-385-2723.

Editor's Note: I saw this last half of this concert will present year; it was a delightful evening!

eighborhood Datebook

Saturday, December 3: Musical Baroque Confeaturing usual and unusual holiday items, Sancert, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 728 23rd ta's Workshop for Kids, lunch and a bake sale. Street, N.W. 8:00 p.m.

Monday, December 5: Foggy Bottom Association Holiday Meeting, featuring Art Buchwald as the speaker. St. Paul's Parish Hall, 2430 K Street, N.W. 7:30 p.m.

Monday-Friday, December 5-9: Holiday carollers performances, featuring local choirs including St. Stephen Martyr's Handbell Choir on Thursday, December 8. Holiday treats (egg nog, spiced cider, special coffee drinks and holiday pastries) will also be available in the lobby lounge. ANA Hotel, 24th & M Streets, N.W. 5:00-7:00 p.m. Friday, December 9: "Messiah with Dance," the Christmas portion of the popular oratorio, with full choreography, using ballet, orchestra, chorus and vocal soloists. Constitution Hall, 18th & D Street, N.W. Free admission, but tickets are required (703) 385-2723. (See article elsewhere in this issue.) 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 10: Holiday Craft Fair, 2430 K Street, N.W. 7:30 p.m.

St. Paul's Parish Hall, 2430 K Street, N.W. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 11:"A Continental Christmas," concert of music from 16th to 18th century Europe, featuring organist Lawrence Molinary, Jr. Grace Church, 1041 Wisconsin Avenue (on the Canal). 3:00 p.m.

Friday, December 23: Messiah Sing-Along, with Paul Hill Chorale. Free, but tickets required; distributed on Saturday, December 3. Kennedy Center Concert Hall. 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 24: WMAL's Christmas Eve at Kennedy Center, featuring radio personalities, special guests, bands and choruses from local schools. Kennedy Center, 10:00 a.m.-2:00

Monday, January 30: Foggy Bottom Association meeting, with GWU President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg as speaker. St. Paul's Parish Hall,

